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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: TETRAHYDRO- $\beta$ -CARBOLINE  
COMPOUNDS AND USE THEREOF

**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.